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1. The amendment filed on 14 July 2000 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) entered.
- b) entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.
Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.
- d) disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) entered in part. See explanation below.

The request to add after PCT/US/94/07314 "now Pat. No. 5,868,597" is improper and the addition "now Pat. No. 5,868,597 has been deleted.

The request to add after PCT/US94/04278 "now Pat. No. 6,033,283" is improper and the addition "now Pat. No. 6,033,283 has been deleted.

The request for entry of the amendments on pages 2-3 in the specification has been denied in view of the lack of evidence of support for the additions. Applicant has not shown clear support for the amendments to the specification.

The drawings have been approved by the draftsperson.

The amendments to the claims have been entered.



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